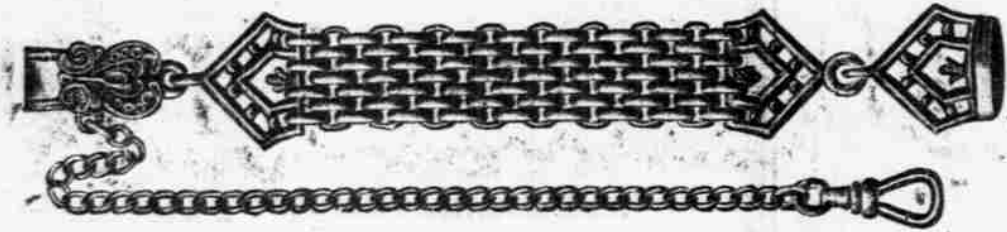


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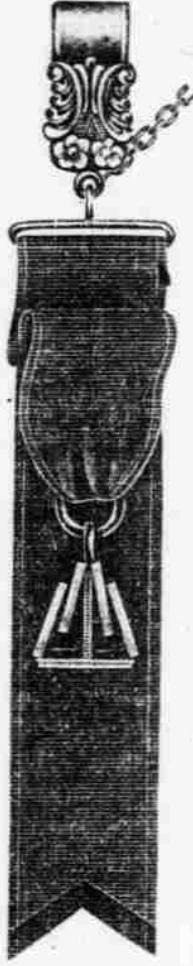
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HELP THE NEGRO IS PRESIDENT'S ADVICE

In Conference With Educators
He Urges Country to Think
of Blacks

Washington, Dec. 15—Outlining his attitude toward the negro, President Wilson today told the University Commission on Southern Race Questions, made up of representatives of 11 Southern colleges, "that our object is to know the needs of the negro and sympathetically help him in every way that is possible for his good and our good."

Dr. C. H. Brough of the University of Arkansas, chairman of the commission, told the President the commission was organized to make an impartial study of the race question from the standpoint of the negro's economic, hygienic, civic and moral betterment. He said that a very deep investigation of the subject was being made, with the good of the negro always in mind.

"I am very glad to express my sincere interest in this work and sympathy with it," said the President in reply to Dr. Brough. "I think that men like yourselves can be trusted to see this great question at every angle. There isn't any question, it seems to me into which more care needs to be put or more thorough human good feeling than this. I know myself, as a Southern man, how sincerely the heart of the South desires the good of the negro and the advancement of his race on all sound and sensible lines, and everything that can be done in that direction is of the highest value. It is a matter of common understanding."

"There is a charming story told about Charles Lamb. The conversation in his little circle turned upon some men who were not present and Lamb, who, you know, stuttered, said: 'I hate that fellow.' His friend said: 'Charles, I didn't know you knew him.' Lamb said: 'I don't. I can't hate a fellow I know.'"

"I think that is a very profound human fact. You cannot hate a man you know. And our object is to know the needs of the negro and sympathetically help him in every way that is possible for his good and for our good. I can only bid you Godspeed in what is a very necessary and great undertaking."

SUBMARINE BIDS OPENED

One of New Boats to Be Big Seagoing Craft.

Washington, Dec. 15—Bids were opened today at the Navy Department for eight submarines. One is to displace between 925 and 1066 tons and the exact specifications are a naval secret. The great diving ship must have a speed of 21 knots on the surface and 16 knots under water; will be propelled by Diesel engines with oil fuel and be of sufficient cruising capacity to accompany a fleet around the world.

There were only two bidders, the Electric Boat Co. and the Lake Submarine Torpedo Boat Co. For the big seagoing submarine the electric company's bid was the lowest, at \$1,375,000 for a vessel of 925 tons. The Lake company's bid for harbor defense boats was the lowest, being \$376,000 for a vessel of 289 tons.

SIKESTON BARN DESTROYED

Horses Are Saved In Blaze At O. P. Smith's Stable.

The O. P. Smith livery barn at Sikeston was destroyed by fire Monday morning, and everything except the livestock was lost.

The fire which was caused by a defective flue, was first noticed shortly after 4 o'clock in the morning, and had made such headway before its discovery that all efforts to save the building were futile.

There were a number of fine horses in the building at the time, and it was with much difficulty that the animals were saved. They seemed to be dazed and did not want to be led to safety. A number of them ran back into their stalls after they had reached the open.

The heat became so intense that it was impossible to save the feed, harness and vehicles that were stored in the building, all of which was burned.

The loss totals several thousand dollars, and insurance covers about half of it.

EAGLES MOVE HEADQUARTERS

The Cape Acric of Eagles moved yesterday from their old quarters in the Sturdivant Bank building to the Rodney Whitelaw building on Main and Broadway. The lodge rooms will be better equipped in the new headquarters than they have been heretofore. The new home will be occupied today.

Allison's Toggery	2.00
Taylor Masterson and Linson	3.00
Nathan Pappas	.50
Sam Rogers	.50
M. E. Hente	.50
C. J. Haman	1.00
Post Office Force	4.50
Mrs. Ollie Kopper	2.00
Jno. W. Brooks	.50
Dr. Rolston	1.00
Tom Allen	1.00
Wm. Kendall	2.00
T. D. Wills	.25
Southeast Motor Car Co.	5.00
Cash	.50
Geo. Rodermeier	1.00
Cash	1.00
Mike McConnell	1.00
Oscar Ruediger	.50
Frank Kimmel	5.00
Cash	.50

Total, \$73.75

COLLEGE PRESIDENT IS SHOT

The Rev. Thomas E. Cramblet Attacked in Bethany, W. Va.

Bethany, West, Va., Dec. 12—The Rev. Thomas E. Cramblet, 52 years old, president of Bethany College, was shot and seriously wounded on the face and neck by Howard Woods, on the college campus today. Standing behind a tree, Woods, according to eye witnesses, fired the contents of a double-barreled shotgun at Dr. Cramblet.

TIMBER WOLVES KILLING DEER

Allen Junction, Minn., Dec. 12—F. H. Lutz, City Clerk; A. E. Bickford and Jack Broten of Virginia, came in from the William Lawrence Camp, No. 39, with three fine deer. They report deer and moose plentiful in the swamps around the camp. Bickford also says that timber wolves are thick in the locality and already have begun to kill the deer.

"POOREST EXCUSE OF MAN"

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 12—"Tell all my friends I was the poorest excuse of a man there ever was. I had a— of a time to get along in the world." This message was found with the body of a man who ended his life in cheap rooming house here and registered under the name of Joe Most. None of his relatives or friends was found.

Two Cape Chinamen Hanker to Go to War

Laundrymen Seek Krupp Guns With Which to Bombard Japan—Visit Hardware Store.

Sing Wah and Ling Kong, two employees of Lee Don, the Chinese laundryman, are anxious to muss up Japan. They announced yesterday that they were ready to go to war, and the only thing that is delaying their departure is a brace of Krupp guns.

The two Celestians visited the Bahn Hardware store yesterday in an effort to buy two Krupp guns of the largest and most deadly types.

Leon Bahn, explained that the store did not keep Krupp guns, and offered to substitute a weapons especially made for duck shooting.

"Me no likee duck gun, me wantee blig Klupp gun," said Sing Wah. "Chinee bloy been washee, washee whitee snow dancee cheapie long enough. Me wantee flight bad Jap bloy."

"Sorry, old man," replied Mr. Bahn, "but we don't carry anything larger than a 48 caliber. But if you are determined to go to war, why I'll get you boys something that ought to deliver the goods."

"Nice Melican man is you," said Ling Kong to Mr. Bahn. "Buy us heapee blig gun, so China bloy can shoot bad Jap off Clistmas tree. Me likee Kluser, but no likee Kling. Him blig bluff."

Sing Wah finally explained that he and Ling Kong had decided to go back to the Flowery Kingdom and drive the Japs out. He said that the Mikado was trying to steal part of China and predicted a war between the two countries.

The two Chinamen declared that they would return to China just as soon as they could obtain the proper artillery. While they expressed the hope of being able to buy a few Krupp guns, they said they might be "persuaded" to take a substitute as a last resort.

"But me no lettee Jap scizee high land," said Sing Wah as the two Celestians left the store.

16 BILLION BU. OF GRAIN WAS GROWN IN 1914

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hundred of population and the Teutonic group 60.

"The world's total supply of horses is shown to be 104,000,000. Of these the Entente group had last year 42,724,000, and the Germanic group 10,739,000, or approximately only one-fourth as many as the Entente group. The latter group has 16 horses per hundred people, as compared with 8 per hundred for the former."

The accompanying tables show at a glance the relative standing of the United States, the Entente group of nations, and the Teutonic forces, in the production of foodstuffs and the ownership of horses:

Oats.	bu.
The World	4,631,000,000
United States	1,121,000,000
Germany and Austria Hungary	941,000,000
The Entente Group	1,712,000,000
Wheat.	bu.
The World	4,124,000,000
United States	763,380,000
Germany and Austria Hungary	403,000,000
The Entente Group	1,292,000,000
Corn.	bu.
The World	3,605,000,000
United States	2,000,000,000
Austria Hungary	227,000,000
The Entente Group	94,000,000
Rye.	bu.
The World	1,885,000,000
United States	41,000,000
Germany and Austria Hungary	646,000,000
The Entente Group	1,078,000,000
Barley.	bu.
The World	1,616,000,000
United States	178,000,000
Germany and Austria Hungary	350,000,000
The Entente Group	797,000,000
Potatoes.	bu.
The World	5,898,000,000
United States	420,000,000
Germany and Austria Hungary	2,527,000,000
The Entente Group	2,298,000,000
Cattle.	
The World	434,000,000
United States	58,000,000
Germany, Austria Hungary and Turkey	47,000,000
The Entente Group	83,000,000

Hogs.

The World	156,000,000
United States	60,000,000
Germany, Austria Hungary and Turkey	36,000,000
The Entente Group	28,000,000
Sheep.	
The World	631,000,000
United States	50,000,000
Germany, Austria Hungary and Turkey	85,000,000
The Entente Group	129,000,000
Horses.	
The World	104,000,000
United States	24,000,000
Germany, Austria Hungary and Turkey	10,000,000
The Entente Group	42,000,000

KILLS 250-POUND BEAR

Milwaukee, Dec. 12—One of the finest specimens of preserved bear skins in existence is to be seen in the window of the Kroeger Bros. Co., Fond du Lac avenue and Eighteenth street. The bear was shot by Joseph Messing, 1724 Fond du Lac avenue, measures 6 feet 7 inches from tip to tip. The bear weighted 250 when dressed.

PIANO CONTEST IS CLOSE

Susie Crawley Takes Lead Over Several Strong Competitors.

After yesterday's returns Miss Susie Crawley, one of the contestants for the \$300 piano to be given away by the Allison Toggery, took the lead, but only by a close margin.

The votes cast yesterday were: Lutheran school 7,900; Marie Coley, 22,500; Susie Crawley, 30,900; Broadway school, 12,400; Centenary church, 21,250; Lucille Short, 1,750; Lillian Thomas, 2,200; Lulu Haupt, 8,800; Mona Childs, 900 and St. Mary's church 1,250.

Miss Crawley, who now leads, has received 47,500 votes, while the Lutheran school and Centenary Methodist church as well as Marie Coley are but a few votes behind her.

BUMP ON HEAD RESTORESIGHT

Boston, Dec. 16—Blind for nine years before that, Frank H. Haynes of Hyde Park, once a famous horse-racer, now can see. Arising from bed yesterday morning, his head struck the bedpost. A few minutes later he could see as well as ever.

AUSTRIANS EATING MUTTON

War Compels Soldiers to Consume Sheep, Honest.

Rotterdam, Dec. 12—The war is driving the Austrians to eat mutton. This does not sound like a great hardship, but the Austrians have an aversion to the meat of the sheep, though it is a common beast in their country.

A mutton propaganda has just begun in Vienna. Exportation of sheep is prohibited and the patriots have figured out that if mutton is fashionable there will be a saving in chicken, beef, pork and other meats. A committee has been formed to arrange a mutton feast, at which the meat will be prepared so appetizingly that all who attend will lose their dislike.

Literature is also being distributed.

Another oddity of war times is a campaign against cats. The major and corporation of Bransberg, a township in East Prussia, have issued a curious appeal to their people.

The district it seems, is over-supplied with cats. The authorities think they can thin out the surplus population of cats and at the same time do a patriotic act for the army in the field. They call upon all loyal citizens to shoot the cats and send the skins as speedily as possible to the Town Hall, where the Mayor is to superintend the dressing of the skins and their conversion into mittens and coats.

The Mayor adds a fantastic note to his appeal by saying that as the cats' skins afford protection against rheumatism they will prove of great comfort and value to the soldiers.

A young Englishwoman who arrived at Metz on a holiday on the eve of the outbreak of war, has given an interesting picture of life in this great fortress city. Although not permitted to leave until a short time ago, she was allowed to serve with the German Red Cross and go about freely in the city to do her work.

Five different times she saw the Kaiser: at the garrison church. He is much grayer than when the war began and appears worn with care.